

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of: Takayuki USAMI, et al.

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For:

COPPER ALLOY MATERIAL FOR PARTS OF ELECTRONIC AND ELECTRIC

MECHINERY AND TOOLS

RESPONSE TO THE RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT DATED NOVEMBER 12, 2003

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This paper is submitted in response to the Official Action dated November 12, 2003.

In the Action, restriction to one of the following is required: Claims 1 and 2 drawn to a copper alloy material with crystal grain structure or Claims 3 and 9 drawn to a copper alloy material with surface roughness.

Applicants hereby elect the subject matter of <u>Claims 1 and 2</u> for prosecution in this application. Applicants also elect species of sample No. 22 shown in Table 3. This election is made without traverse, and it is understood that the applicant's rights to the filing of a divisional application directed to the non-elected subject matter under 35 USC 120 and 35 USC 121 are retained.

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In the event that this paper is not timely filed, applicants hereby petition for an appropriate extension of time. The fee for any such extension, or any other additional fees required in connection with this response, may be charged to our Deposit Account No. 50-2866.

Respectfully submitted,

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